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TO:

Each Supervisor

FROM:

Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H.

Director and Health Officer

SUBJECT:

NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT NOTICE OF AWARD NUMBER 98996401 MODIFICATION NUMBER 5 FROM

THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

This is to notify you that I am exercising the delegated authority approved by your Board on November 29, 2011, to accept and implement a forthcoming Notice of Award (NA) from the Unites States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), to conduct public outreach and education to targeted communities to address fish contamination issues, for the anticipated term of November 1, 2011 through October 31, 2013, at an estimated amount of \$221,984 (\$110,992 annually), subject to review and approval by County Counsel, and notification to your Board and the Chief Executive Office.

Under this authority, I will accept NA Number 98996401 Modification Number 5, issued by the USEPA on February 23, 2012, in the amount of \$110,992 for the term of November 1, 2011 through October 31, 2012. This funding will enable the Department of Public Health (DPH) to continue to participate in the fish contamination outreach and education project.

Services will be provided to targeted communities to address fish contamination issues in Los Angeles County, for the purpose of reducing human health risks associated with eating contaminated fish related to the Palos Verdes Shelf site, one of the largest contaminated sediments in the United States. DPH will focus on increasing health care providers' awareness and knowledge of the health risks associated with the consumption of contaminated fish by providing workshops and lectures to medical providers. Outreach activities will include updating educational materials and fishing signage located at Los Angeles County piers.

County Counsel has reviewed and approved NA Number 98996401 Modification Number 5 and this delegated authority action as to form.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

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c: Chief Executive Officer Acting County Counsel Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors